

**REMARKS**

Applicants thank Examiner Fredman and Examiner Chunduru for agreeing to meet with Applicants to conduct an interview.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the above claims. The above listing of the claims reflects the status of the claims relative to the Applicants' Amendment filed on September 2, 2004. Upon entry of the claims, claims 81, 86-99, 101-106 and 108-109 are pending in this application. Claims 81, 106 and 108 are amended. New claim 109 is sought to be added. Applicants respectfully request entry of the above amendment and submit that the above amendment does not constitute new matter.

Support for the amendments to the claims and new claim can be found throughout the specification and in the claims as originally filed. In particular, support for the amendment to claims 81, 106 and 108 can be found, *inter alia*, in the specification at page 4, line 19.

New claim 109 depends from claim 81 and recites the same language as canceled claim 85. Support for new claim 109 can be found, *inter alia*, in the specification at page 1, lines 7-9 and page 2, lines 16-18.

**Amended Independent Claims 81, 106 and 108**

Amended independent claims 81, 106 and 108, which include no new matter, reflect the understandings reached during the interview of November 17, 12004. The Interview Summary reads as follows:

Applicants' representatives discussed the limitations in the pending claims and also discussed how the limitations in the instant claims differ from the prior art of the record and proposed amendments to overcome the prior art rejections. Examiners suggested that the proposed amendments would overcome the art rejections.

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Claims 81, 106 and 108, all as currently amended, incorporate the amendment proposed during the interview. Thus, Applicants submit that claims 81, 106 and 108 contain allowable subject matter. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request the withdrawal of all outstanding rejections.

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### CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request entry of the above claim amendments. In view of the above amendments and remarks, early notification of a favorable consideration is respectfully requested. Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned, at the telephone number listed below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-0206.

Respectfully submitted,

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